



# PESTICIDE *ESA* NEWS

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## SPECIAL EDITION !



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### Olympia meeting set to discuss ESA surface water monitoring plans

A subcommittee of the Pesticide Advisory Board will meet in Olympia from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. March 4 to discuss plans for a surface water monitoring program proposed by the Washington State Department of Agriculture. The meeting will be held in the Natural Resources Building at 1111 Washington St.

The tentative agenda includes:

- 1) Surface water monitoring budget
- 2) Interagency agreement with the Department of Ecology
- 3) Department of Ecology sampling and analytical protocols
- 4) Process for selecting watersheds for monitoring

At the request of WSDA, the Pesticide Advisory Board established the ad-hoc committee as a way to discuss technical details of the proposed WSDA surface water monitoring program. This program is a key element in the department's process for evaluating the potential impacts of pesticides on salmonids in Washington surface waters.

The meeting allows interested parties to observe the process for reviewing sampling and analytical protocols used for collecting surface water samples and selecting monitoring locations.

The Pesticide Advisory Board, established under the Washington Pesticide Application Act, Chapter 17.21 RCW, advises the director of agriculture on issues relating to the use of pesticides in the state.

For additional information on this meeting, please contact Jim Cowles at (360) 902-2066 or send an e-mail to [esp@agr.wa.gov](mailto:esp@agr.wa.gov). See the Feb. 7 issue of [Pesticide ESA News](#) for information about WSDA's actions regarding the Endangered Species Act. ➔

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### QUESTIONS?

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WSDA welcomes your input. Please send your comments and questions to the Endangered Species Program  
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